

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** Eleven public bills, H.R. 1383–1393; three private bills, H.R. 1394–1396; and two resolutions, H. Con. Res. 55–56, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** One report was filed as follows: H. Res. 128, providing for consideration of H.R. 1215, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen the American family and create jobs (H. Rept. 104–100).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Foley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** House recessed at 10:07 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

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**Journal:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 369 yeas to 36 nays, with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 282, the House approved the Journal of Monday, April 3.

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**Committees To Sit:** The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Small Business, Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

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**Suspensions:** House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Truth in Lending Act moratorium:** H.R. 1380, to provide a moratorium on certain class action lawsuits relating to the Truth in Lending Act; and

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**Sexual crimes against children:** H.R. 1240, amended, to combat crime by enhancing the penalties for certain sexual crimes against children (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas, Roll No. 283).

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**Family Privacy Protection:** By a recorded vote of 418 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 287, the House passed H.R. 1271, to provide protection for family privacy.

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Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Agreed to the Souder amendment en bloc that requires that written consent to be obtained before requesting a minor's participation in a survey or questionnaire; removes the \$500 limit on monetary dam-

ages that an individual can claim; and removes the exemption from the requirement for tests intended to measure academic performance (agreed to by a recorded vote of 379 yeas to 46 nays, Roll No. 285).

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Rejected the Dornan amendment en bloc that sought to prohibit any person to require or otherwise seek the response of a minor to a survey or questionnaire (rejected by a recorded vote of 131 yeas to 291 nays, Roll No. 286).

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H. Res. 125, the rule under which the bill was considered was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 284.

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**Late Report:** Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995.

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**Bill Re-referral:** The joint resolution, H.J. Res. 70, authorizing the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to establish a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr., in the District of Columbia or its environs, originally referred to the Committee on House Oversight, was re-referred to the Committee on Resources.

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**Committees To Sit:** The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit on Wednesday, April 4, during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, Resources, Small Business, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H4112.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4111–12, H4124–25, H4128–29, H4136–37, H4140, and H4141. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

## ***Committee Meetings***

### **COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Ordered reported H.R. 618, to extend the authorization for appropriations for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission through fiscal year 2000.

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

### **COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on NOAA, SEC, and on the Commission on Civil Rights. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; and Mary Frances Berry, Chair, Commission on Civil Rights.

### **FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Security Assistance/State and DOD. Testimony was heard from Walt Slocomb, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; Lynn Davis, Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State.

### **INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Natural Resources. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Corporation for National and Community Service and Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, National Commission on Libraries, and on the National Council on Disability. Testimony was heard from Eli J. Segal, Chairman and Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service; John Calhoun Weils, Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service;

Mary Lu Jordan, Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission; Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chairperson, National Commission on Libraries; and Marcia Bristo, Chairperson, National Council on Disability.

### **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction met in executive session to hold a hearing on Arabian Gulf Construction Program. Testimony was heard from Gen. J.H. Binford Peay III, USA, Commander in Chief, Central Command, Department of Defense.

### **NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Fiscal Year 1996/97 Navy/Marine Corps Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; Adm. Jeremy M. Boorda, USN, Chief, Naval Operations; and Gen. Carl E. Mundy, Jr., USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

### **VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies continue appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

### **FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Continued hearings on the following: H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995; Glass-Steagall Reform; and related issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### **MEDICAID; PROGRAM IN NEED OF REFORM**

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on Medicaid: A Program in Need of Reform. Testimony was heard from June O'Neill, Director, CBO; Charles Bowsher, Comptroller General, GAO; Michael Mangano, Principal Deputy Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; and the following officials of the Department of Justice: Daniel Anderson, Assistant Attorney General, Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit; and Tom Kubic, Section Chief, White Collar Crime, FBI.